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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 28, 2005, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from March 28, 2006 to April 28, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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